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Case Docket No.: P8064-8002  
Date: September 24, 1998

In re the application of:

Muhammed MAJEED et al

Serial No.: 09/005,594

Group Art Unit: 1615

Filed: January 12, 1998

For: USE OF PIPERINE AS A BIOAVAILABILITY ENHANCER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

☐ No additional fee is required.

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x11=	275
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TOTAL	480

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Prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to the examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Please amend the claims as follows:**

Please cancel claims 1 - 35 without prejudice or disclaimer, and add new claims 36

~~36~~. A method of increasing nutrient bioavailability in a <sup>bioactive</sup> patient desiring such an increase, comprising administering to said patient a nutritionally effective amount of at least one nutritional material and a bioavailability enhancing amount of piperine.

37. A method as recited in claim 36, wherein said piperine comprises at least one member selected from the group consisting of synthetically made piperine, extract from

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3.38. A method as recited in claim 36, wherein said administering comprises

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